

REMARKS

Within the Office Action, the Examiner restricted prosecution of the claims to:  
Group I, claims 1-36 and 73-107, drawn to an apparatus and classified in class 165, subclass 244+; and

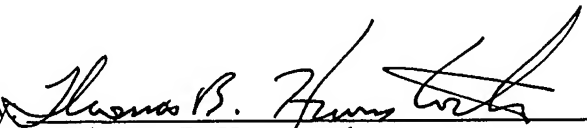
Group II, claims 37-72, drawn to a method and classified in class 165, subclass 267+.

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants elect Group II, claims 37-72, drawn to a method, without traverse. Accordingly, the claims 1-36 and 73-107 within Group I are canceled by this Amendment. Applicants amend claim 71 for grammar, only.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request examination and allowance of all pending claims, namely claims 37-72, and allowance at an early date would be appreciated. The Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (408) 530-9700 with any questions or comments so that any outstanding issues can be expeditiously resolved.

Respectfully submitted,  
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